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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, 15 Reference(s)
- ☒ Other: Specifications for serial numbers 09/786,877 and 09/812,533
- ☒ Return postcard

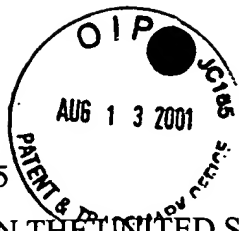
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(b))

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

Applicant hereby brings attention to the Examiner that they have several commonly assigned co-pending applications, Serial No. 09/812,533, filed March 20, 2001, and Serial No. 09/786,877, filed on March 12, 2001. Copies of the specifications for the above listed applications are attached.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.



A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)):

Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner that USP 5,452,284 and USP 5,616,390 correspond to JP 6-176404. In addition, USP 5,852,599 corresponds to JP 9-265633 and USP 5,818,812 corresponds to JP 9-91781. Applicant also provides a partial English translation of "Additional Information Recording Method on DVD-ROM Disk: BCA (Burst Cutting Area)".

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.


Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,

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